Stick It Up Your For Foger

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Comedy sketch set in a future where fun in the technical manner of voting counts for everything. A cigar-smoke filled room, everything's loud and sweaty, beer, ties loosened, shouting, much like in the movie, "Twelve Angry Men". It is a political think tank /backroom in the year 2076 for presidential candidate Mike Maxwell. Things have gotten retro, though a few super-futuristic devices and fashions here and there to remind us of the year. The loud arguing reveals the problem they're facing: Maxwell must officially submit the specific manner he has devised in which the electorate is to cast their vote for him. We are past the days of having to go to a polling location to cast your vote for president, even past the days of simply indicating your preference on a smartphone. Things had evolved. First, a wiggle of the nose captured on a smartphone was a way to buy things, then American Idol type voting, then, a wiggle of the left toe and a wiggle of the nose simultaneously became a way to register one's preferences electronically – because it was so fun that way, you even had to remove your left shoe and sock to achieve it! This evolved to where voting in presidential elections, where voter turnout had already improved enormously with the advent of smartphone voting (who would ever go to more trouble than that just to vote?) also became very novel, candidates asked to choose one of many methods, from a menu, in which their supporters could cast their vote. Voters became even more involved when it changed again, and candidates could devise a novel idea of their own invention for voting for them. People's preference in a candidate became tied to the incredibly fun way to vote for him at the prescribed moment, 2:30pm, the first Tuesday in November of an election year, captured on your year 2076 type smartphone.

In Maxwell's smoke-filled think tank, they start with the idea of sticking your left thumb in your left ear, which changes, as the conversation progresses, to a right pinky, which gradually moves in their discussion from your left ear, to suggesting a right pinky up your butt, which involves diagrams of the bone structure of the human thigh, statistics, and so forth. Gradually, ideas building one upon the other, they excitedly arrive at the unbelievably novel idea of Maxwell voters, instead of sticking their finger up their butt, cast their vote for him by having to go to something called a voter polling station. Maxwell's political opponent, Foger, officially submits that to vote for him, you have to hop around on one foot while reciting Mary Had A Little Lamb. Maxwell wins by a landslide, his novel idea for voting, where one goes to a polling station, being a new hit!

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